



2007-2011 State Plan

Approved Goals and Objectives

The following 2007-2011 State Plan goals and objectives have been approved by the federal Administration on Developmental Disabilities (ADD). The complete 2007-2011 State Plan, including identification and analysis of priority topics and issues, will be available online and in print in the near future.

The Council has adopted the following Areas of Emphasis in the 2007-2011 State Plan:

- Community Supports
- Education and Early Intervention
- Employment
- Health
- Housing
- Quality Assurance
- Recreation
- Transportation

ADD has also required the Council to add a “cross-cutting” area. This is for activities that impact equally across all the areas of emphasis, such as the Council’s intention to undertake a major public awareness campaign on developmental disabilities (see below).

Cross-Cutting Goal 1:

The Council will use community education and awareness to shape public policy that positively impacts Californians with developmental disabilities and their families.

CC1.1 By September 30, 2011, 1 million Californians will be educated on the abilities and strengths of individuals with developmental disabilities.

Community Supports Goal 1:

Californians with developmental disabilities and their families are fully included in all aspects of community life.

CS 1.1 By September 30, 2011, 1300 Californians with developmental disabilities will participate in service and volunteer opportunities of their choosing.

CS 1.2 By September 30, 2011, 2500 children and youth with developmental disabilities will participate in inclusive community activities through Council efforts.

CS 1.3 By September 30, 2011, 500 adults with developmental disabilities will participate in community life in meaningful and fulfilling ways through Council efforts.

Community Supports Goal 2:

Californians with developmental disabilities will experience increased inclusion and independence through the use of assistive technology.

- CS2.1 By September 30, 2007, the Council will work collaboratively with appropriate entities to develop and implement a plan to educate staff and service coordinators about computer and assistive technologies and how these tools can be used to increase consumer and family control, choice and flexibility.
- CS2.2 By September 30, 2008, the Council will work collaboratively to develop and implement a campaign to educate consumers and families about computer and assistive technologies and how these technologies can be used to maximize their developmental and educational potential.
- CS2.3 By September 30, 2007, the Council will advocate for policies that secure free (or low-cost) Internet access for adults with developmental disabilities.
- CS2.4 The Council will work collaboratively on methods to ensure that staff/educators/providers who interact with the consumer are also properly trained in how the AT equipment works and is used.
- CS2.5 By September 30, 2009, the Council will advocate for the periodic re-evaluation and re-training of consumers periodically as their proficiency with the equipment increases
- CS2.6 By September 30, 2008, the Council will promote the creation of locations where consumers and their families can try out a variety of assistive technology choices to choose the equipment best suited to their individual needs.

Community Supports Goal 3:

Californians with developmental disabilities have full and equal protections in all state and federal emergency preparedness/homeland security programs.

- CS3.1 By September 30, 2007, The State Council will collaborate with other state and federal agencies to promote methods to ensure that all Californians with developmental disabilities and their families have a personal emergency plan, and will advocate for the inclusion of this information in all Individual Education and Program Plans (IEP/IPP).
- CS3.2 By September 30, 2007, the State Council will participate in a statewide Task Force to ensure that the needs of Californians with developmental disabilities and their families are included in all emergency preparedness training and services.
- CS3.3 By September 30, 2007, the State Council will work collaboratively to convene a California Emergency Management Conference patterned after the June 2006 federal "Working Conference on Emergency Management and Individuals with Disabilities and the Elderly."
- CS3.4 By September 30, 2007, the State Council will participate in California's Emergency Preparedness Vulnerable Populations Subcommittee.

Education Goal 1:

California infants and toddlers reach their developmental potential and families have the necessary supports to provide for their family member's special needs.

- ED1.1 The Council will promote policies that give infants and toddlers and their families access to culturally appropriate and timely diagnosis, services and supports to maximize developmental potential and strengthen families.

Education Goal 2:

Californians with developmental disabilities have control, choice and flexibility in the education they receive

- ED2.1 Every year 2000 students with developmental disabilities and their families will have information, advocacy and support in multiple languages to receive an appropriate education through Council and area board efforts
- ED2.2 The Council will replicate successful technical assistance models to increase the participation of 100 children per year in inclusive preschools
- ED2.3 By September 30, 2008, the Council will promote effective programs/policies that successfully transition students with developmental disabilities to post-secondary opportunities

Employment Goal 1:

Californians with developmental disabilities obtain, succeed and advance in employment consistent with their interests, abilities, and needs.

- EM1.1 By September 30, 2011, 650 Californians with developmental disabilities will obtain paid employment or self employment of their choosing.
- EM1.2 By September 30, 2011, the Council will work collaboratively to improve California regulations/policies to ensure a smoother transition from education to employment.
- EM1.3 By September 30, 2011, 3,250 Californians with developmental disabilities will be educated/trained in multiple languages regarding employment options, incentives and resources.
- EM1.4 By September 30, 2011, the Council will advocate for introduction of career possibilities curriculum for all children in regular and special education by age 10.
- EM1.5 By September 30, 2011, 500 consumers, family members, providers and employers will be educated/trained on assistive technology for the workplace.
- EM1.6 By September 30, 2011, the Council will collaborate with appropriate entities to achieve the system reforms contained in SB1270.

Health Goal 1:

Californians with developmental disabilities have access to a full range of coordinated health, dental and mental health services in their communities.

HE1.1 By September 30, 2011, the Council will promote policies and programs to educate physicians and clinicians on developmental disabilities on how to best provide appropriate health, mental health and dental care for consumers.

Health Goal 2:

Californians with developmental disabilities have control, choice and flexibility over their health care.

HE2.1 By September 30, 2008, 3,250 Californians with developmental disabilities and their families will be educated on MediCal managed care and be able to make informed choices as a result.

Health Goal 3:

Californians will achieve optimal health and wellness through the prevention of primary and secondary causes of disabilities and promotion of healthy lifestyles.

HE3.1 The Council will educate at least 100 policymakers, public officials and health professionals per year on the importance and need for universal developmental screenings for all children.

HE3.2 By September 30, 2009, the Council will work collaboratively to launch a major statewide campaign to educate the public on the dangers of drinking while pregnant.

HE3.3 The Council will collaborate with the Governor's office and other state agencies on programs and projects that maximize health and wellness, including physical fitness, nutrition and obesity prevention.

HE3.4 By September 30, 2009, the Council will educate juvenile court judges, probation departments, mental health and social service agencies, educators, and regional centers in at least eight Counties on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD), its prevention, associated secondary disabilities, diagnostic information, local resources, interventions, and best practices.

HE3.5 By September 30, 2008, the Council will establish at least one consumer peer-to-peer project to educate consumers on achieving optimal health through physical activity, healthy lifestyles, proper nutrition and obesity prevention.

HE3.6 By September 30, 2007, the Council will advocate for at least one State-funded research grant related to Alzheimer's and Down Syndrome.

Housing Goal 1:

Californians with developmental disabilities have access to affordable housing that provides control, choice and flexibility regarding where and with whom they live.

- HO1.1 By September 30, 2011, 3,250 Californians with developmental disabilities and their families will have information and training in multiple languages on affordable/accessible housing
- HO1.2 By September 30, 2011, 500 units of affordable/accessible housing will be available to Californians with developmental disabilities through Council efforts
- HO1.3 By September 30, 2011, 200,000 Californians with developmental disabilities and their families throughout the State will receive information on Council-funded online Statewide Housing Program Locator.
- HO1.4 By September 30, 2009, the Council will advocate for California to apply for a Social Security waiver allowing individuals with developmental disabilities to save up to \$10,000 in the bank.

Quality Assurance Goal 1:

Individuals with developmental disabilities and their families have control, choice and flexibility in the services they receive.

- QA1.1 By September 30, 2008, 200 people with developmental disabilities and their family members will receive intensive leadership development training to enable them to successfully hold leadership positions at the state and local level. At least 50% will hold leadership positions within 2 years of completion of training.
- QA1.2 By September 30, 2011, the number of Californians with developmental disabilities who participate in self-advocacy groups will increase by 10% per year.
- QA1.3 By September 30, 2011, 10,000 individuals with developmental disabilities will gain the skills and supports to advocate on their own behalf and for their peers.
- QA1.4 By September 30, 2011, 10,000 family members of people with developmental disabilities will gain the skills and supports to advocate on their own and other families' behalf. At least 10% of these will have a primary language other than English.
- QA1.5 By September 30, 2011, 13,000 individuals with developmental disabilities and their families will have improved access to timely and accurate multi-lingual and easily understood culturally competent information about self-directed services and other new initiatives.
- QA1.6 By September 30, 2011, 13,000 people with developmental disabilities and their families will have improved access to an array of quality services of their choice through Council legislative and other advocacy.
- QA1.7 By September 30, 2011, 1,000 consumer and family members will participate in social/support groups of their choosing, based on mutual interest and support.

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- QA1.8 By September 30, 2011, the State Council will utilize Life Quality Assessments and other activities to identify and eliminate systemic barriers and promote systemic improvements.
- QA1.9 By September 30, 2011, the State Council will develop easily understood information about the services system and consumer and family rights and will post it to the web in at least 10 languages.
- QA1.10 By September 30, 2011, the State Council will collaborate with DDS to implement an Interagency Dispute Resolution Pilot Project that improves timely access to services.
- QA1.11 By May 1, 2007, the State Council will convene a series of meetings with underserved populations to identify specific objectives that will be considered for inclusion in the August 2007 State Plan Update.

Quality Assurance Goal 2:

Californians with developmental disabilities are free of abuse, neglect, or exploitation, and are provided equal access to protection and legal remedies when those rights are violated.

- QA2.1 By September 30, 2007, the State Council will convene the “Abuse Victims with Disabilities Think Tank” funded by the federal Children’s Justice Act
- QA2.2 The Council, in collaboration with its federal DD Act partners (PAI, USC and UCLA), will continue advocating for implementation of the recommendations contained in its joint report, “Abuse and Neglect of Adults with Developmental Disabilities: A Public Health Priority for California”

Recreation Goal 1:

Californians with developmental disabilities of all ages will have full access to and inclusion in community social and recreation programs.

- RE1.1 By September 30, 2011, 500 Californians with developmental disabilities will participate in community social and recreational opportunities of their own choosing through Council efforts.

Transportation Goal 1:

Californians with developmental disabilities and their families will have access to transportation that enables full participation in all aspects of community life.

- TR1.1 By September 30, 2009, the Council will develop a coordinated transportation system model that serves the needs of people with developmental disabilities through public/private collaborative efforts.
- TR1.2 By September 30, 2011, the Council will replicate the coordinated transportation model in at least one other area.